

Onshore Oil & Gas Order No. 1

Purpose

- Approval of Operations
(Application for Permit to Drill – APD)



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Issues

Current Order (1983)

- Inconsistent Interpretation
- Processing Times
- Out of Date



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Goals for Revision

- Define Terms
- Establish Process Time Line
- Links to AFMSS
(Identify causes for delay)
- Update Regulatory Issues



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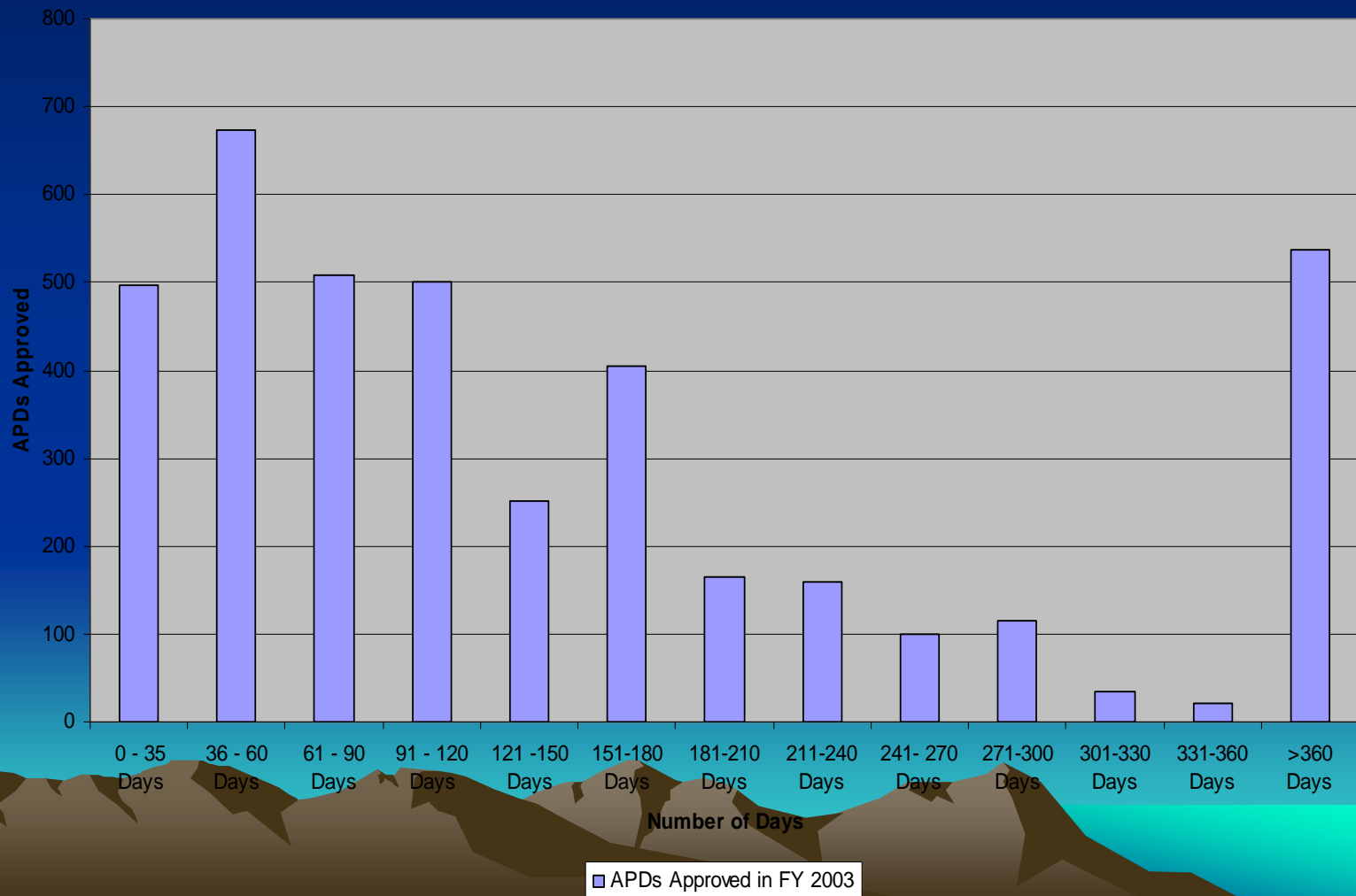
- Process Time Line

- Operator - Files APD
- Public Notification (30 day period)
- BLM – Reviews for Administrative Complete – 10 days
- Operator – Provides Additional Data (up to 45 days)
- Operator & BLM Conduct Onsite (schedule in 10 days)
- BLM – Notification of Changes 7 days
- Operator – Provides Additional Data (up to 45 days)
- BLM – Reviews for Technical Complete - 7 days
- BLM – NEPA - Biological – Cultural Review 30 days
- BLM – Decision — 54 days



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APDs Approved in FY 2003



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- Definitions:
 - Technically & Administratively Complete
 - Administratively Complete Determination in 10 days
 - Technically Complete - Deficiencies and Errors Corrected by Applicant (starts 30-day processing)
 - Master Development Plan
 - Days are all Calendar



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Other Issues

Can't Meet 30-Day Processing

Immediate Assessment for Unabatable Non-compliance

Split Estate Compensation

Maps & Plats in E-Format & Hard Copy

